



# DESIGN YOUR FUTURE TODAY!



Architects' Association  
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# It's just about that time!

You're looking to your future. What if we told you that there was an opportunity for you to impact your community, your country, the world, through the design and construction of beautiful spaces and buildings, in structures that will last for generations?

Architecture is creative, dynamic, and fast-paced. It is constantly changing and adapting to meet the needs of our current climate, environment, and perception of design and materials.

To be an architect means you can impact the health, wellness, built environment, and safety of the people around you.

**Does that sound like something you'd like to be a part of?**

## What do architects do?

- Design, plan and develop houses, office buildings, schools, hospitals and many other structures.
- Create plans and scale models
- See a project through from the idea to the physical building
- Work with clients to bring their ideas to reality
- Provide safe, reliable, and engaging buildings in our community
- Visit construction sites - it's not only a desk job, architects stay active
- Have the opportunity to own their own firms



# What skills and interests do you need to become an architect?



- **Problem solver:** utilize the problem-solving skills and think-on-your feet attitude you learned in online multiplayer games. On the job complications could involve design or structural issues, adjusting to client needs, or problem-solving terrain, weather or heritage factors.
- **Enjoy learning:** you'll need to keep up with new information and codes, as well as have an interest in a variety of topics such as business, marketing, sustainable efforts, real estate, climate change, construction and more.
- **Technology:** being comfortable using technology is an asset as this is the world we live in, but a willingness to learn new skills surrounding it is essential; think using virtual reality or augmented reality to experience a model.
- **Creative thinker and attention to detail:** an ability to draw, sketch, create, imagine, and be good with numbers. Architects combine logical, mathematical skills with unique and creative thinking.
- **Love for science:** Just like the designers at Nike, architects combine art and science to understand how different materials and components work together. The use of different materials we are seeing in architecture today showcases this love and mix between design and purpose.
- **Interest in nature and sustainability:** designs should enhance the beauty of the natural world.
- **Versatility:** you may be in a boardroom in the morning, and a hard hat and steel-toed boots to visit a construction site in the afternoon. Being able to adapt to these situations is part of the day-to-day of an architect.

**Becoming an architect can involve so many different skills, techniques, learning and education, so how do you get it done?**

## **Becoming an architect.**

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Master's degree in architecture from an accredited university program. These programs are currently offered at a number of universities in Canada.

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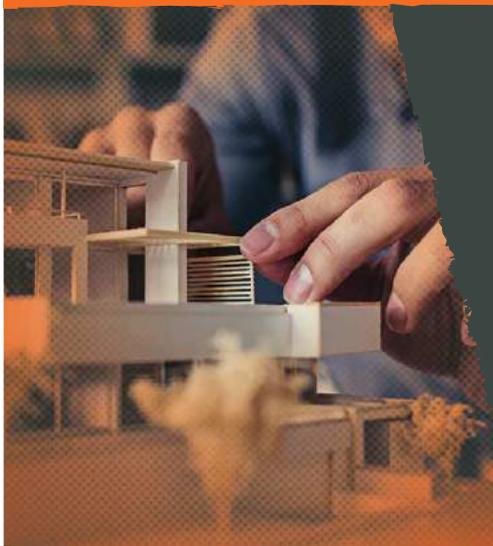
Complete a three-year (3720 hours) Internship in Architecture Program with assistance from your Supervising Architect and Mentor (a licensed architect)

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Successfully complete the Examination for Architects in Canada (ExAC)

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Apply for a license!



**Why not start designing your future today!**

If architecture sounds like a career you're interested in pursuing or if you want to learn more visit:

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